

In The Claims

Please cancel claims 1 – 8, without prejudice, and amend claim 9, as shown below. As amended, the status of the claims in this application will be as follows:

Claims 1 – 8 (Canceled)

Claim 9. (Currently Amended) An elongate member for conveying gobs of molten glass from an inlet to such device to an outlet from such device, said member being curved, in a vertical plain that extends parallel to a longitudinal axis of said device, from a higher elevation at the inlet to a lower elevation at the outlet, and being selected from the group consisting of an oscillatable gob scoop for delivering gobs of glass to an inlet of a relatively fixed trough and a relatively fixed trough for receiving gobs of glass from an outlet from an oscillatable scoop, said member having a configuration, in cross-section, generally corresponding to that of an upwardly facing V with an opposed pair of legs that are joined, at bottom ends thereof, in a rounded bight, the legs being spaced apart, at upper free ends, by a distance greater than a width of the largest gob in a wide range of gob sizes to be passed through the elongate member, the bight having a radius smaller than that of a smallest size of the gobs in the range of gob sizes;

wherein said elongate member is an oscillatable scoop, said oscillatable scoop having a gob contacting surface that is smooth and uncoated and further comprising:

means for indirectly cooling said gob contacting surface.

10. (Original) An elongate member according to claim 9 wherein said means for indirectly cooling said gob contacting surface comprises:

means underlying said scoop for circulating a liquid coolant through said scoop in indirect contact with said gob contacting surface.

11. (Original) An elongate member according to claim 9 wherein said means underlying said scoop for circulating a coolant in indirect contact with said contacting surface comprises means for circulating a gaseous coolant through said scoop.

12. (Original) An elongate member according to claim 11 and further comprising:

a plurality of apertures in said gob scoop for allowing a gaseous coolant passing into said means underlying said scoop to thereafter pass into said scoop in direct cooling contact with glass gobs passing through said scoop.

13. (Original) An elongate member according to claim 9 wherein said gob contacting surface has a surface finish of at least 10 RMS.

14. (Original) An elongate member according to claim 9 wherein said member has a radius near its inlet, along the longitudinal axis, that is substantially smaller than a radius, near its outlet, along the longitudinal axis, a final portion of the elongate member, immediately inward of the outlet, being straight.